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Copies of these references are submitted herewith.

The relevance of the listed references is as follows. Each of the references was cited in the Search Report issued by the European Patent Office. A copy of this Search Report is also enclosed. For the Examiner's information, the designation "A" means "technological background" and "D" means "document cited in the application".

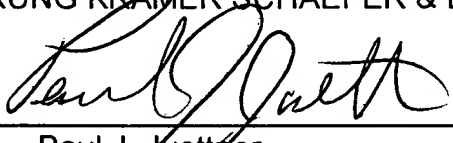
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Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

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